

Massachusetts Statehouse

Beacon Hill, Boston

One of the country's most important examples of Federal style architecture in a public building, the Massachusetts Statehouse was completed in 1798 from designs by Charles Bulfinch. Additions have been made to the sides and rear, but the mostly original facade, dominated by the dome (originally shingled and whitewashed, but gilded since 1874), remains one of Boston's most familiar and best-loved architectural images.